



HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION

Authorized Capital ..... £4,000,000  
Issued and Fully Paid-up ..... £4,000,000  
Reserve Funds ..... £1,500,000  
Sterling ..... £1,500,000  
Silver ..... £17,000,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors ..... £20,000,000

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## Public Auctions

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Madam A. Cousins to sell by Public Auction

on

WEDNESDAY,

the 26th January, 1927,  
commencing at 2.45 p.m.  
at No. 4, Felix Villas, Mount Davis  
Road, Pokfulam

A Quantity of

## VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

Comprising:—  
Teak Hatstand; Chesterfield Couch; Chairs, Bookcase, Pictures, Ornaments, etc., etc.

Teak Dining Table, Sideboard, Dinner Wagon, Dinner Set, Glass Ware, Cutlery, Cooking Stove and Utensils, etc., etc.

Double and Single Teak Bedsteads, Wardrobes with Glass Doors, Chest of Drawers, Dressing Tables, Marble Top Washstands, Electric Table Fans, etc., etc.

ALSO

1 Cottage Piano by "W. Bach & Co." Berlin.  
1 Victoria XIV and Records.

AND

1 Pot Pots and Plants.  
On View from Tuesday, the 25th January, 1927.

Catalogues will be issued.  
Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers  
Hong Kong, 26th January, 1927.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on

THURSDAY,  
the 27th January, 1927,  
commencing at 2.30 p.m.  
at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Nice Assortment of

CHINESE CURIOS  
comprising:—  
Porcelains, Bronzes, Jade, Chinese Prints, Agate, Amber, Crystal, etc., etc.

ALSO

A Few Pieces  
CANTON BLACKWOOD WARE,  
(Particulars from Catalogue).

On View from Wednesday, the 26th January, 1927.

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LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers  
Hong Kong, 26th January, 1927.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on

FRIDAY,  
the 28th January, 1927,  
commencing at 2.45 p.m.  
at No. 10, Kennedy Road

A Large Quantity of

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

Comprising:—  
Dining Room Suite (made by Wm. Powell Ltd.), Teak Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Chests of Drawers, Dressing Tables, Desk, etc., etc.

ALSO

Few Pieces of  
CANTON BLACKWOOD FURNITURE

AND

One Okeh Phonograph.  
Catalogues will be issued.

On View from Thursday, the 27th January, 1927.

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LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers  
Hong Kong, 24th January, 1927.

## NOTICES.

G. R.  
STREET FIRE ALARMS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the number of STREET FIRE ALARMS now installed in the Colony amounts to 42. A complete list indicating their respective positions, is given hereunder:

## HONG KONG

- (1) In Queen's Road East
- (2) In Queen's Road Central
- (3) In Des Voeux Road Central
- (4) In Des Voeux Road Central
- (5) In Des Voeux Road Central
- (6) In Wing Lok Street
- (7) In Jervois Street
- (8) In Lower Albert Road
- (9) In Lyndhurst Terrace
- (10) In Hollywood Road
- (11) In Hollywood Road
- (12) In Hollywood Road
- (13) In Po Yan Street
- (14) In Queen's Road West
- (15) In Des Voeux Road West
- (16) In Des Voeux Road West
- (17) In Queen's Road West
- (18) In Des Voeux Road West
- (19) In Catchick Street
- (20) In Belcher Street
- (21) In Queen's Road West
- (22) In Western Street
- (23) In High Street
- (24) In Bonham Road
- (25) In Bonham Road
- (26) In Calme Road
- (27) In Staunton Street
- (28) In Calme Road
- (29) In Upper Albert Road
- (30) In Robinson Road

## KOWLOON

- (1) In Nathan Road
- (2) In Nathan Road
- (3) In Nathan Road
- (4) In Shanghai Street
- (5) In Shanghai Street
- (6) In Shanghai Street
- (7) In Canton Road
- (8) In Kimberly Road
- (9) In Chatham Road
- (10) In Chatham Road
- (11) In Wu Hu Street
- (12) In Kowloon City Road

Each of the above Fire Alarms leads directly into a Fire Station where they transmit an instantaneous call. The Public are therefore requested to acquaint themselves with the positions of these Alarms and, when practicable, to use them in preference to the telephone, when giving a call to a fire.

Hong Kong, 25th January, 1927.

## PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Executors of the Estate of the late Dr. J. C. D. Allan to sell by Public Auction

on THURSDAY,

the 27th January, 1927,  
at 3 o'clock p.m.  
at their Sales Room, Duddell Street

Three Star Heads.

On View from Wednesday, the 26th January, 1927.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers  
Hong Kong, 26th January, 1927.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Committee of The Bazaar in connection with the New St. Paul's Girls' College Building Fund to sell by Public Auction

on THURSDAY,

the 27th January, 1927,  
at 3 o'clock p.m.  
at their Sales Room, Duddell Street

One 4-Seater Flat 509 Motor-car

On View on Day of Sale.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers  
Hong Kong, 25th January, 1927.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on FRIDAY,

the 28th January, 1927,  
commencing at 5.15 p.m.  
at their Sales Room, Duddell Street

A Collection of 2,500 Stamps

including Chinese Errors, Hong Kong (Pins of 50 Jubilee showing Error "Short U") etc., etc.

Catalogues will be issued.

On View from Thursday, the 27th January, 1927.

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LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers  
Hong Kong, 25th January, 1927.

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LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers  
Hong Kong, 24th January, 1927.

## NOTICES.

## COMMODORE'S OFFICERS' DANCE.

## H.M.S. "TAMAR."

## TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.

ALL Traffic will enter by the Prince of Wales Gate and proceed by outer wall to TAMAR.

ALL Traffic will leave by MAIN GATE.

CARS may be parked on football ground immediately after entering Prince of Wales Gate, if desired; If parked after dropping passengers in TAMAR they must proceed through MAIN GATES, QUEEN'S ROAD, & PRINCE OF WALES GATE.

Hong Kong, 25th January, 1927.

## THE HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., on THURSDAY, 27th January, 1927, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 14th January to THURSDAY, 27th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
L. S. GREENHILL,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 6th January, 1927.

## UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Dodwell & Company, Limited, on MONDAY, the 31st January, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1926.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 24th to 31st January, 1927, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,  
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 18th January, 1927.

## HONG KONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the above Society will be held on TUESDAY, 8th February, 1927, at 5.15 p.m. in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

All Ladies & Gentlemen interested in Horticulture, whether Members of the Society or not, are cordially invited to attend.

## AGENDA:

To receive and pass the Committee's Report & Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

To elect Officers & a new Committee for the current year.

To receive the date of the Annual Flower Show, which the Outgoing Committee recommend should be held on Thursday, 10th March, 1927.

To discuss any matter of interest to Horticulturists in Hong Kong and outlying districts.

E. B. C. HORNER,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 21st January, 1927.

## NOTICE

WE, the undersigned, beg to announce that we have opened branches in Honan, Shamerin, Canton, No. 11, Yee Ma Loo, West Bund, 1st floor and at No. 15, On Wo Lee, West Bund, undertaking the shipping of cargoes in launches and steamers running from Canton to Wuchow, Kungmou and Hong Kong. We guarantee the safe arrival of all cargoes and hold ourselves responsible for any damage that may occur charging a very moderate rate. Indian watchmen will look to the loading and unloading of cargoes.

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Hong Kong, Jan. 20th, 1927.

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From Hong Kong.  
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"REMO" ..... Sails on or about 5th April.

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SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP—Via Singapore,  
Colombia, Suez and Port Said.  
ATLAS MARU ..... Monday, 31st January.  
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore,  
Colombia, Durban & Capetown.  
MONTEVIDEO MARU ..... Tuesday, 1st March.  
BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.  
MANSHU MARU ..... Monday, 24th January.  
BORNEO MARU ..... Friday, 4th February.  
INDO MARU ..... Tuesday, 15th February.  
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND  
MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.  
PANAMA MARU ..... Wednesday, 23rd February.  
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.  
SEATTLE MARU ..... Tuesday, 25th January.  
TACOMA MARU ..... Friday, 25th February.  
BANGKOK—Via Saigon.  
SEKKOW MARU ..... Thursday, 3rd February.  
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Shanghai and Japan  
Port.  
LONDON MARU (From Shanghai) Thursday, 27th January.  
HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOI.  
MENADOO MARU ..... Thursday, 24th February.  
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.  
JAPAN PORTS  
SANUKI MARU ..... Wednesday, 26th January.  
ALASKA MARU ..... Saturday, 12th February.  
KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY ..... Sunday, 30th Jan., 10 a.m.  
HOZAN MARU ..... Middle of January.  
TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY ..... Thursday, 27th Jan., 8 a.m.  
TAKAO & KEELUNG ..... Saturday, 29th January.  
DAIREN via CHEFOO & TSINGTAO ..... Middle of January.  
RYUKO MARU ..... Middle of January.  
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### SHIPPING SECTION.

#### PACIFIC BOATS.

Regularising "Pres." Schedule.

#### BENEFIT TO HONG KONG.

Of great importance to Hong Kong, a change has been made in the arrangements for the American trans-Pacific liners calling at this port.

The seventeen "President" boats come here from Seattle or San Francisco and also from Manila on their return trip. There were also the round-the-world boats, which passed on to Manila from Hong Kong and then continued westwards.

As is well known the control is now practically in the same hands, that of the Dollar Steamship Line and the American Mail Line, which are associated concerns, the local office being at No. 4, Des Vaux Road.

As from March 1, the "horse-shoe schedule" comes into force at Hong Kong. This innovation will, of course, start earlier on the other side to begin the service. The boats are now engaged as follows:

"Horse-shoe schedule," i.e., on the Pacific only—Jefferson, Lincoln, Grant, Cleveland, Madison, Pierce, Jackson, Taft, McKinley—nine in all.

Round-the-world, which also includes San Francisco to Hong Kong:—Van Buren, Polk, Adams, Garfield, Harrison, Monroe, Hayes, Wilson—eight in all.

What the Experts Devised. Experts were engaged in America to devise a scheme whereby there would be the minimum of clashing and the "horse-shoe" time-table is the result.

It was found that the only way to obviate "close sailings" with resultant gaps was, for example:

"President A" leaves San Francisco and comes to Hong Kong and Manila. On the return trip she goes to Seattle instead and then comes out again to the Far East.

"President B" leaves Seattle for the Orient. Going back, she sails for San Francisco instead.

In other words, the homeward bound boats go to San Francisco and Seattle, respectively, on alternate trips.

Points of Interest.

Other points have to be mentioned to make matters clear to the travelling public and to ship-owners.

Boats to and from San Francisco call at Honolulu but not those to and from Seattle. The other ports of call (Japan and Shanghai) will be touched as usual. The China-bound boats from Seattle also visit Victoria in British Columbia. On the other hand, the boats returning to San Francisco also go on to the port of Los Angeles.

In this way, the round-trip of each boat occupies the same time—hence the regular schedule. This means that there will be one "President" boat sailing to America (Pacific port, of course) every week, either on a Tuesday or a Wednesday, the destinations each alternate week, being Seattle and San Francisco, respectively.

Then, again, the round-the-world boats augment the service. Leaving New York, they go through the Panama Canal. On arrival at San Francisco, they enter also into the schedule, making more frequent sailings, and they go out of the schedule on leaving Manila for Europe (westwards).

The Schedule to Ask For. Departures and arrivals between Hong Kong and Manila will not be so regular as the dis-

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An Oslo message says that the small ice-breaker, which had been sent to Spitzbergen to keep the harbours there open for the shipping of coal to Norway during the winter, has been forced to come back owing to bad weather. She has lost a mast and sustained considerable other damage. The expedition will probably be abandoned.

#### TRY THIS FOR YOUR COUGH.

A nervous hacking cough cannot be cured by a glass of water, but it will disappear under the healing and soothing effect of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Every user is a friend. It is for sale everywhere.

### PASSENGER LIST.

#### DEPARTURE.

Passengers sailed for San Francisco via Shanghai, from Hong Kong, on the N.Y.K. "Tenyo Maru" on Jan. 24, were:—Mr. James L. Maxwell, Mr. S. Fukagawa, Mr. N. Inouye, Mr. Chi Hui-po, Mr. Lei Yuen-chung, Mr. H. Miyamoto, Mr. E. Miyamoto, Mrs. T. Miyamoto, Miss S. Miyamoto, Mr. C. Garcia, Mr. and Mrs. G. McQuown, Master J. McQuown, Mr. C. O. Schneider, Mr. J. T. Sanchez, Mr. Fok Sat-long, Miss Wong Kun-lin.

Passengers who sailed from Hong Kong for London via Singapore on the P. & O. s.s. "Kashmir" on Jan. 22, were:—Mr. F. W. Allen, Mr. F. T. Armstrong, Mr. W. E. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Cave, Mrs. Y. L. Chan, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. de Courcy, Mr. W. Denholme, Mr. J. E. Eagles, Mrs. A. R. England, Surgeon Lieutenant D. Glass, Mr. E. Griffiths, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hall, Miss J. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Hees, Mr. J. Hewett, Mr. Wm. Hewett, C.M.G., Miss M. Higgins, Mr. T. Y. Hoentakool, Captain D. H. James, Mrs. L. H. King, Miss M. King, Miss R. King, Mr. T. King, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Knox, Mr. N. Nish, Capt. S. Gunnundsen, Capt. C. G. Ramsey, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. Refell, Mr. E. G. Renton, Mr. E. D. Steen, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. W. Mr. G. E. Strange, Mr. J. W. Stoneham, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Tai and three children, Mr. C. F. Taylor, Mrs. B. Thompson, Miss C. E. Todd, Mr. and Mrs. J. Watson and children, Mr. R. F. Webber, Mr. F. D. Windsor, Mr. G. T. Wood, Mr. F. Wright, Mrs. P. C. Yap.

#### SHIPS IN PORT.

At 9 a.m. to-day the following numbers of vessels were in port:—

British	26
American	1
Panama	1
Norwegian	3
German	1
Japanese	5
Chinese	15
Dutch	6
Portuguese	3
Danish	1
Total	62

9 arrivals:—4 British (Szechuan, Takada, Hydrangea, Agapenor), 3 Chinese (Tai Lee No. 1 being the ex-Wing Sang, Tak Hing, Tai Sze Ma), 1 Dutch (Van Hentz) 1 German (Dorry).  
11 departures:—3 British (Sukang, Yingchow, Newchwang), 3 Japanese (Yejun Maru, Tenyo Maru, Manchu Maru), 2 Norwegian (Hellos, Havdro), 1 Chinese (Tak Hing), 1 French (Raymond Pioncare), 1 German (Muensterland).

#### PROPOSED UNION.

#### GREEK COASTWISE SHIPPING RESERVATION.

It is reported from Athens that the Council of the Mercantile Marine, meeting recently under the presidency of the Minister of the Interior, discussed the question of the foundation of a union for coastwise shipping (cabotage), the vessels belonging to which, in virtue of a convention with the State, would be accorded the exclusive privilege of maritime trading along the Greek coasts. After having heard the views of several shipowners who are specially interested in the matter, the council announced that it was in agreement on the following points:—

1. That the foundation of the union is an imperative necessity, because the crisis through which the Greek mercantile marine was passing at the present time was liable to become worse, and might even grow desperate within a few months, and cause the ruin of the coastal shipping enterprises.

2. That there was no judicial reason why the State, in return for certain compensations, grant to the new society the exclusive privilege of cabotage in Greece.

The Council further decided to examine at its next sitting the details of a Bill for submission to the future Chamber. The general idea of the project is that the State has the power to enter into a convention granting a monopoly of cabotage in Greece to a navigation company representing at least three-quarters of the Greek shipowners interested in the coastal trade. The State would have the right to regulate and supervise the itineraries, and the company would have to undertake gradually to replace its old ships by new ones. The company would receive a subsidy.

#### MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The E. & A. Co.'s s.s. "Arafura" left Moji for this port on Jan. 21, p.m., and is due here to-morrow at about daylight."

The B.I. s.s. "Talma" left Singapore for this port on Jan. 21, a.m., and is due here to-morrow, at about 7 a.m.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" (Capt. S. Robinson, C.E.B., R.N.R., Commander) will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama at 1 a.m. to-morrow.

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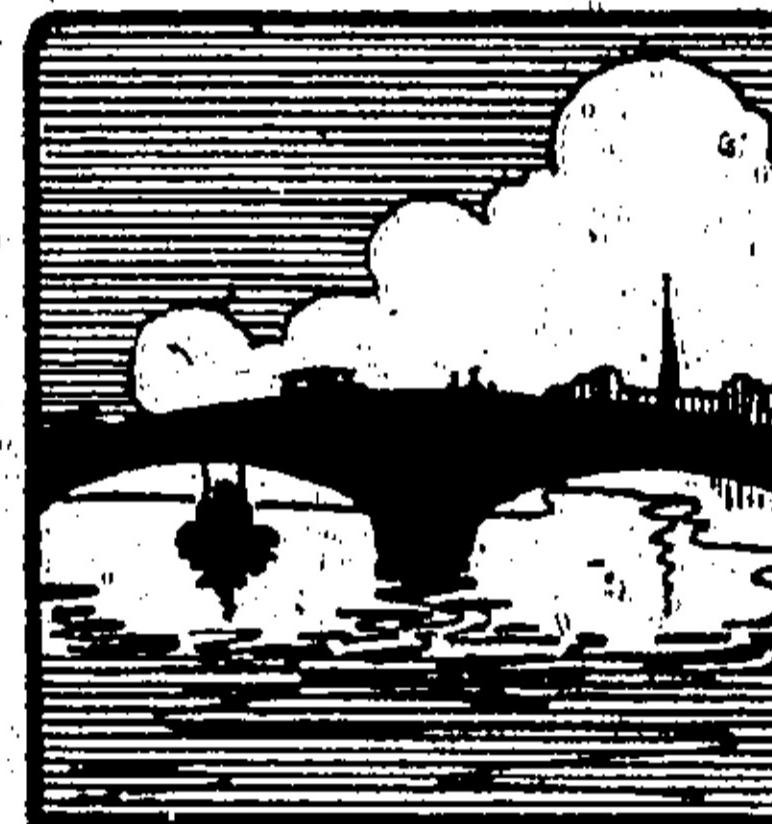
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NELLORE	6,852	2nd March	Marseilles & London
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MACEDONIA	11,129	2nd April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp, R'dam & Hull
KHYBER	9,144	9th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
DEVANHA	8,155	16th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
DELTA	8,007	27th April	Marseilles & London
MALWA	10,941	30th April	Marseilles & London
KHIVA	9,135	14th May	Marseilles & London
MOREA	10,918	25th May	Marseilles & London
MANTUA	10,902	17th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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TILAWA	10,000	11th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
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SHIRALA	7,841	1st March	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

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MALWA	10,980	1st April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
DELTA	8,007	1st April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
ARAFURA	6,000	5th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
NELLORE	6,853	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
KHIVA	9,135	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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**POWERS UNITED.**

Whatever may have been the obstacles to unity among the Powers in the past in relation to Chinese affairs, it is welcome news to learn that four of them have agreed on common measures for the defence of Shanghai. Great Britain, America, France, and Japan have arranged to maintain a garrison of 4,000 men, to which force each country will contribute a certain quota. The moral effect of such a concerted measure should be very great indeed. There can be no question, as in the past, of any of the Chinese factions endeavouring to play off one of the Powers against the others. That, of course, is as it should be. It would have been nothing short of a calamity to leave one Power to take isolated action in an international crisis in which the interests of all the Treaty Powers are identical. The task of defending these interests in Shanghai is to be shared if the need arises. The Chinese cannot now discriminate between any of the Powers. Moreover, they must now realise that, if they honestly desire the peace to be kept and if they genuinely aim at negotiation as the sole basis of their relations with the Powers, mob law has to be absolutely eliminated. Any repetition of the Hankow incident at Shanghai, even on a minor scale, will spell disaster not to the Powers concerned but to the Chin-

ese themselves. Threats will not be met by threats, but by armed forces assembled in Shanghai in sufficient numbers to curb the excrescences of the howling mobs and hair-brained agitators. The Chinese have to be taught that they can gain no more material advantages at the expense of the Powers through the agency inspired or uninspired—of mob law. Whatever differences exist or may arise hereafter in regard to the future of the foreign Concessions in Shanghai can only be composed round the conference table. On that the Powers are united. The warning—but not a threat, it be noted—is there for the Nationalists to accept or disregard.

**Foreign Intervention.**  
The old parrot cry of the Cantonese has had another airing by Colonel L'Estrange Malone. Lecturing at the Parliamentary Labour Club in London on December 16, he stated that the Canton Government is "out for freedom from foreign intervention and influence and for industrial freedom." That has never been opposed by the Powers. All along the line have they made it clear beyond all possible argument that they do not desire and do not intend to intervene in China's domestic affairs. A thousand times within the past couple of years alone has it been reiterated that China must put her own house in order—that she must work out her own salvation. There has only been one form of foreign influence and foreign intervention in the affairs of China. That, as all the world knows, emanates from Moscow. Let the Chinese free themselves of this malice, and they will immediately rid themselves of the worst possible type of foreign influence. Let them give Borodin & Co. their walking tickets, and they will be the first to realise how great an incubus they have thrown overboard. Until then, they cannot talk with sincerity of being "out for freedom from foreign intervention and foreign influence." Moreover, they will undoubtedly find, too late, that however irksome those "unequal Treaties" may be, it will be a mere nothing to what is in store for them once Moscow becomes the master of the Chinese. That is no idle theory. It is a stern fact that has to be faced by the Chinese.

**The Statute of Scotsmen.**  
The occasion of the annual Burns anniversary dinner invariably suggests the writing of a few lines dealing either with Scotsmen, their country or their immortal poet. A speech made by Sir Andrew Card at a dinner of the Scottish Clan Association, held in London, elicited the statement that the average Scot was nearly a stone heavier than the average Englishman. From his subsequent remarks in praise of the Highlanders he seemed to infer that they particularly excel in stature and avoidrupsos. If they really do so to-day, it must be because those of them, who are left in the Highlands fare better than their numerous but ill-nourished ancestors. Johnson roundly declared that a London drayman was more than a match for the average Highlander. In Carlyle's youthful days Scottish physique was supposed to be at its highest in the south-west of Scotland, and the average height of adult men and women in Annandale was said to be equal to that of the Grenadier Guards. Industrialism has lowered the standard in the more crowded shires, whilst in Scotland as a whole, agricultural decay has reduced the numbers of those who attain the old rustic standard. In regretting the disappearance of the Highlanders from their native counties, Sir Andrew observed that they were the people who put "ginger" into the Scottish nation. The word aptly describes the contribution of the Highlands to Scottish military history and to the Terpsichorean art. But what is usually understood as the Celtic spirit suggests a rather more delicate seasoning. Ginger is conspicuously absent from the conduct of local and regional affairs in the Highlands. A somewhat stronger dash of it might assist in removing some of the handicaps that prevent the Highlands from ranking with Switzerland and the Pyrenees among the playgrounds of Europe.

**Soviet Intolerance.**  
"Whoever knew truth put to the worse in a free and open encounter?" With this question John Milton championed the liberty of the Press in England, and ever since his day his words have stood to rebuke and frustrate every effort to bring about illiberal censorship or restrictions on freedom of discussion. Russia to-day needs a Milton. The Soviet Government has silenced discussion and banned freedom of opinion in a fashion more drastic than that which raised the great Puritan's ire. It is reported that the Bolshevik censorship is to be carried into libraries, and that the removal of counter-revolutionary and inartistic literature from all small libraries of the Soviet Republic will take place forthwith. The books classed as "counter-revolutionary and inartistic" are indicated more particularly as works of idealistic bent and all books on religion which are not anti-religious. Propaganda literature favouring political systems other than the system now in power in Russia come under the ban, together with works of history and literature dating from Tsarist times, and containing matter favourable in any respect to the old regime. Intolerance of this sort does not manifest a sense of strength or security in the Bolshevik Government. States which are firmly based upon the patriotism of the people find it needless to hamper criticism with stringent censorship.

**MALAYA'S FLOODS.**  
Singapore, Jan. 24.  
The Government is continuing to assist refugees, who have lost their all in the disastrous recent floods in Malaya. Public relief funds are mounting daily. It is not yet possible to ascertain the total death-roll or damage, but it is officially estimated that there have been over 30 fatalities in the state of Kelantan, where 300,000 head of cattle perished, and the damage to rice crops is \$400,000. Traders' losses in one town totalled \$300,000. The death-roll in Perak is estimated at 24.—Reuter.

**STRIKERS RESUME.**

Shanghai, Jan. 24.  
Though the bus employees struck a few days ago through fear of molestation by the tramway men, it is reported that they are now arranging to present demands to the management.

The tramway men returned to work this morning, and the service is gradually getting back to normal.—Reuter.

The reported approaching Italo-Hungarian negotiations for the re-establishment of a Hungarian transit port at Flume are arousing comment at Belgrade, Jugoslavia hoped that Hungary would choose Spalato. It is thought that Hungary will necessarily negotiate a friendship treaty with Italy, if Flume is chosen, thus further isolating Jugoslavia and aggravating the Italo-Jugoslav tension.

**TAKING NO RISKS.**

SHANGHAI'S DEFENSIVE MEASURES.

**OUR LETTER FROM NORTH.**

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, Jan. 17.

Whilst refugees continue to arrive in the Settlement from up-river ports, and the air veritably seethes with rumours of trouble in the immediate neighbourhood of Shanghai, preparations continue on a lavish scale for the celebration of the Chinese New Year holidays.

General satisfaction is expressed in most of the clubs in regard to the Council's attitude, and it is believed that if there is any trouble in Shanghai, it will be within, rather than without, the Settlement.

The opinion is generally felt that, having in view the huge sum the Customs surtax will yield Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, the latter will put up a strong defence against the Cantonese, should they endeavour to continue their Northward march in the direction of Shanghai.

It is, of course, good news that the British Government is sending out further detachments of troops to China, but most people think that if there is any trouble, the major portion of the work will fall upon the local Police and Volunteers. The one and only topic at the present time is the possibility of a repetition of the Hankow affair; and, whilst the Council is doing everything in its power to afford the fullest protection to all, both foreigners and Chinese alike, some amusement is to be found in the protest lodged by shop-keepers in Boundary and Elgin Roads against the barricades which have been erected on the borders of the Settlement.

**More Barricades.**

Following the move of the Council of the International settlement, the French municipal authorities have taken similar steps in preparation for any disturbance that may occur in the future. Along the boundaries of the French Concession to-day are to be seen war-like displays of barbed-wire fences, and at several points along Rue des Deux Républiques, gridded gates of iron bars with concrete foundations and sills have been erected. Chinese passing through the open gates are not molested and all traffic continues to be conducted as usual.

**Chinese and The Council.**

The question of Chinese representation on the Municipal Council has again been mooted in official quarters. It will be recalled that some time last year, Mr. Stirling Fessenden, the Chairman of the Council, at a banquet at the Majestic Hotel, announced that the Council were in favour of the appointment of three Chinese members in addition to the nine counsellors who at present function as the municipal authority. Nothing, however, has been done in the matter, the Chinese having demanded a complete franchise with Chinese representation in proportion to the number of Chinese rate-payers which, of course, would mean a Chinese majority on the Council.

It is rumoured that something may be done at the forthcoming Municipal election, but, in view of the general political situation and the uncertainty of affairs, it is difficult to forecast at all accurately in this direction.

**Progress.**

There are a few residents in Shanghai at the present time who pride themselves in narrating events of the old days when they used to go shooting where the Race Course now stands, or of paper-hunting in what is now the state of Kelantan, where 300,000 head of cattle perished, and the damage to rice crops is \$400,000. Traders' losses in one town totalled \$300,000. The death-roll in Perak is estimated at 24.—Reuter.

**Stagnant Pools.**

V.—Will the President be good enough to cause samples of water to be taken by officers of the Sanitary Department from the stagnant pools in Crown Land on the eastern and western boundaries of Kowloon Tong, and more particularly of a small stream draining into the nullah at the point where it is being covered in below the railway bridge, and have such samples examined for the presence of any matter that might constitute a danger to public health in the district of Kowloon Tong?

VI.—Is it deemed advisable as a preventive measure against providing breeding ground for the larvae of anopheline mosquito, will the President direct officers of the Department to have the stagnant pools treated with kerosene oil or other substance calculated to minimise the danger of an outbreak of malaria due to the existence of the stagnant pools referred to in (V)?

room patterned after those of three other department stores on Nanking Road.

The company is capitalised at \$5,000,000, it was announced, and it is planned to begin construction of the new building very shortly. The backers of the enterprise hope to have a portion of the building ready for occupancy within two and a half years.

The building will be eight storeys high and will cost about \$1,500,000 and will probably have a tower which will be illuminated at night.

**A LONG WALK.**

JAPANESE STUDENTS WORLD TOURS.

**VISIT TO HONG KONG.**

The latest round-the-world walker to visit Hong Kong is Mr. S. Akimitsu, a graduate of the Ritsumeikan College of Law in Kyoto, Japan, who has arranged for himself three distinct tours which will cover the northern sections of both hemispheres.

He is 26 years of age. Starting on August 8 last year, he has so far visited places in Japan and Korea, Manchuria, Dairen, Port Arthur, Tientsin, Peking and Shanghai, and he arrived here yesterday on the "Kotsu Maru" from Swatow.

Next Sunday he will walk round the island of Hong Kong, starting from Government House at 9 a.m.

Mr. Akimitsu travels "light" with the minimum of baggage. He carries with him a book of autographs, a hot water bottle, haversack, a fiasci and a white band inscribed with the words "walking round the world" on one side and Japanese characters with the same meaning on the reverse.

**Three Different Routes.**

Mr. Akimitsu, who started out with 2,000 yen, helps to support himself by contributing articles to the Japanese newspapers on the progress of his tour. He hopes to be able later to write a book on his experiences.

By way of Indo-China and Siam, Mr. Akimitsu hopes to arrive in England, going through Europe. He will then return to Yokohama and set out on a second tour covering the whole of North America. His third tour will be from Tokyo, across Siberia to Moscow. He thinks that the whole tour will be completed in four years.

**COLONY'S HEALTH.**

MORE QUESTIONS BY MR. J. P. BRAGA.

At this afternoon's meeting of the Sanitary Department, Mr. J. P. Braga will ask a series of questions on two subjects, as follows:

Kowloon Tong.

I.—By whose sanction and under what law has permission, if any, been granted to certain Chinese squatters to construct, on recently filled-in Crown Land in the district of Kowloon Tong, within a hundred yards of dwelling-houses, a cesspool of cement concrete (approximate dimensions 15' by 10'), in which human faeces are collected and allowed to decompose to serve as manure in vegetable gardens in that vicinity?

II.—Is it in the best interest of the public health that a new squatters' settlement, with its attendant objectionable feature mentioned in (I) be

## FURTHER TROUBLE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

there have ended. Four men charged with looting by the A.P.C. Building there have been executed. Instructions from Mr. T. V. Soong, Minister of Finance, have been sent to the authorities at Changsha, that no interference should be allowed with the operations of the Standard Oil Company. It became known here to-day that Mr. T. V. Soong, Finance Minister of the Nationalist Government, personally prevented the possibility of armed clash between the mobs of armed men bent on invading the British Concession and seeing the British marines on guard beside the Kiu-kang concession gates.

At Kiu-kang Concession.

While en route to Hankow after attending the conference of leaders of the Nationalist Government in Nanchang, Mr. Soong arrived in Kiu-kang last Thursday (Jan. 13). He passed the point where a crowd was massed at the boundary of the British Concession and seeing the British in the situation mounted the barricades and addressed the mass.

He told them his name and position with the Nationalist Government and exhorted them to be calm and disperse without further action. The crowd desisted from their activities for the moment, and later in the afternoon armed troops entered and took over the protection of the area. Nationalist News Agency.

## EARLIER MESSAGES.

Troops leaving Malta.

Malta, Jan. 24.

The 1st Battalion of the Bedfordshire Regiments, and the 2nd Battalion of the Border Regiment are leaving for China on Monday aboard the "Maganic."

The combined strength is about 1,400.

A number of officers of other branches of the service, including medical officers and nurses, are accompanying the draft.—Reuter.

## Marines Coming.

London, Jan. 24.

There was unbroken activity at Portsmouth barracks on Sunday when 1,000 marines were busy packing up their kits and bidding farewell to friends and relatives preparatory to sailing for China to-day aboard the "Minnesota," which will call at Hong Kong en route to Shanghai.

## India Sends Troops.

Delhi, Jan. 24.

In the course of his inaugural address to the Assembly, the Viceroy announced that India being the nearest part of the Empire wherein forces were available for immediate despatch to China, the Government of India had agreed to contribute a contingent including Indian troops, thus co-operating with the Imperial Government, who had reluctantly been forced to order a reinforcement as a purely defensive measure.—Reuter.

## Four Battalions from India.

London, Jan. 24.

The War Office has officially announced that the Government of India is arranging to despatch to Shanghai two British and two Indian battalions, with ancillary troops.—Reuter.

## Japanese Warships.

Tokyo, Jan. 24.

The Navy Office announces that four destroyers, the "Momo," "Yanagi," "Hinoki" and "Kashi" were despatched to Shanghai from Sasebo to-day to join Japan's China squadron.—Reuter.

## YEAR'S PROFIT.

BANK OF EAST ASIA LTD. REPORT.

The Directors of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., announced that, subject to audit, the profit for the year ending December 31, 1926, after writing off all charges and making provision for depreciation, bad and doubtful debts, and including the balance of \$163,365.28 brought forward from 1925 amounts to \$622,680.05 which the Directors propose to deal with at the forthcoming annual meeting as follows:

To Pay a Final Dividend for the year 1926 of 6% .... \$300,000.00 To Pay a bonus to Directors, Holders of Founder shares, and the staff .... 23,897.21 To Carry forward to next year's account 298,782.84 \$622,680.05

## A CORRECTION.

Owing to a misunderstanding, the name of the University compound, which three leopards "invaded," one being shot by the long bow of a teacher whose hobby is archery, was given as Amoy. The "China Mail" informants who participated in the hunt came from the Fukien Christian University in Foochow and it was there that the incidents in question took place. The other facts are as stated yesterday.

## HELP FOR YOUNG.

Bequests By Ex-China Resident.

## MR. ANDREW BURMAN'S WILL.

Resolving of probate of the will of Andrew Burman, formerly of Shanghai, China, but late of Torbay Mount, Chelston Torquay, Devonshire, who died at Torbay Mount on October 28, 1926, has been granted to Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, solicitor of Messrs. Johnson Stokes and Master, the lawful attorney of deceased's executors. Deceased's net estate in the United Kingdom amount to £13,713.3.6. while his Hong Kong estate is \$17,790.00.

Besides many bequests to his relatives and friends he also bequeathed the following:

To the National Art Collections Fund his few books and pamphlets on Oriental Art together with the sum of £500. To Dr Barnard's Homes National Incorporated Association the sum of £500 which he desired to be applied for the fund for training boys for the British Navy and British Merchant Marine.

## Hospital Grants.

To the East London Hospital for Children and Dispensary for Women, Gt. Ormond St., Middlesex the sum of £500.

To the Tropical Hospital of the Society of the Hospital Society for general purposes of the said Hospital the sum of £500. To the Portuguese Hospital at Torquay, aforesaid the sum of £500.

To any servant in his employ at the date of his death and who had been one year or upwards in his service the sum of £10 for each completed year of such service.

To the Trustees of the Victoria and Albert Museum South Kensington entire collection of all objects of Oriental Art of whatsoever description or such of them as the said Trustees shall be willing to accept.

In reply to M. K. Lo, (for the plaintiff) His Lordship (Sir H. C. Gorham) said that he regarded the communication as a privileged one.

The plaintiff had asked for the reason of the discontinuance of supply and the letter giving the Electric Company's reasons had been sent in reply.

In the course of further argument as to whether the Electric Company was liable on the question of discontinuance of supply for breach of contract His Lordship said that he was against Mr. Lo.

He was somewhat reluctant to come to this decision and he thought it a great pity that regulations had not been made for the safeguarding of the public in the matter of cutting off supply without notice.

The powers given to the Company were so great that he thought it just as

well that the whole subject should be considered.

His Lordship entered judgment for the defendants (the Electric Company).

On the question of costs, which would also be for defendants, he did not feel inclined to certify for counsel. He was inclined to regard counsel in a Summary Court as a luxury.

## ILLICIT LIQUOR CHARGE.

A Chinese still, 5 feet 6 inches high, jars of alcohol filters, a miscellaneous collection of bottles and other impediments used in the distillation of Chinese wine figured as exhibits in Mr. Lindsell's Court at the Central Magistracy this morning, when a Chinese employed by the Catholic fathers at Pokfulam, was charged with the unlawful possession of the articles and with possessing liquor on unlicensed premises.

Chief Preventive Officer Clarke conducted the case for Imports and Exports Department.

In reply to the Magistrate, the defendant admitted possession of the still and liquor, but denied that he trafficked in the illicit liquor.

Statistics are given of relief work carried on in Tientsin, Peking, Tai Yuan, Fu and other places. Medical work, Rescue work, evangelistic campaigns, etc., in three provinces are traced, the numbers of officers and cadets in training now numbering 258, it is gathered.

## RECORD OF SERVICE.

"Diamond Gleams," containing records of service rendered by Salvation Army officers in North China, makes an appropriate appearance in view of the recent visit of General Bramwell Booth who obeyed the dying wish of his father, William Booth, founder of the S.A., in directing the establishing of "Army" work in China.

A review of the achievements of the S.A. in China, written by Commissioner Pearce shortly before his death, and other records by Adjutants, Ensigns and other workers show a record of progress in conversion and extension of spheres of operations.

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### LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Mr. Harry Ore's pianoforte recital commences at 6.30 p.m. at the City Hall to-day.

A complete list of street fire alarms now installed in the Colony, indicating their respective positions, is advertised elsewhere in this issue.

An advertisement appears on page 3 of this issue, giving instructions for motor traffic going to and from the ball on H.M.S. "Tamar" to-morrow night.

H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., and Knight of Grace of the Order of St. John), will inspect the local Corps of the St. John Ambulance Brigade on Murray Parade ground to-day at 5.15 p.m.

When a Chinese was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with returning from banishment, it was stated that he had been sentenced upon six previous occasions for the same offence. Mr. Schofield passed sentence of twelve months' hard labour with twenty-four strokes of the birch.

The teacher had been giving a lesson on the reindeer—its haunts, habits, and uses. One little chap was not paying the slightest attention, so the teacher pounced on him. "Now, what is the use of the reindeer?" she asked him. The startled youngster looked up, paused, and then replied: "Please, ma'am, it makes things grow!"

The Kowloon Motor Bus Company's new Leyland-Lion motor bus will be given a trial run this afternoon starting at 5.15 p.m. from the Star Ferry.

Kowloon. Among those invited are the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Captain-Superintendent of Police) and the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard (President of the Hong Kong Automobile Association).

"Making the Police collect a civil debt is a practice to be frowned on," said Mr. C. A. S. Russ at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when defending a man and his wife charged with obtaining money and a quantity of jewellery by false pretences. Mr. Russ argued that the case was one for the Summary Court, with which argument Mr. Schofield concurred, discharging the defendants.

The Queen Alexandra Imperial Nursing Service and the Queen Alexandra Military Families Nursing Service have been amalgamated by Royal warrant.

Five cases of notifiable disease were reported to the Medical Officer of Health on Monday, as follows:—3 of small-pox from the city district, 1 of typhoid from the city and 1 of cerebro-spinal fever from the Kowloon district. All the patients are Chinese.

Don't wait here, lads. Go on and play your football! This is what Father Knowles, games master of St. Bede's College, Alexandra Park, Manchester, said to his pupils, who gathered round him when he lay on the roadside recently, severely injured after collision with a car while motor-cycling on his way to the college football ground. He was conveyed to the Royal Infirmary, where he was found to be suffering from a compound fracture of the right leg, scrap and face wounds, and severe shock.

Mrs. R. A. Jaffray, a welfare worker who has recently arrived here from the United States, proposes founding here a "Friendly League for Christian Service," the object of which is to provide recreational facilities for business girls of Hong Kong. The proposal is to take the premises formerly occupied by the Coronet Theatre and fit it up as lunch and rest rooms. Other activities will include the making of decorative and useful articles for the Home. It is also proposed to see it as a centre for exhibitions for the Blind Home and similar institutions.

A Sheffield woman has lost her pension through reading her prayer book. When a girl she had been called in to nurse her aunt (her mother's sister). The aunt died, and the girl eventually married her uncle, and three children were born of the marriage. The husband died, and the woman received her pension under the National Health Insurance Acts. Then one day she saw in her prayer book "a table of kindred and affinity," which lays down that a woman may not marry her "mother's sister's husband." Distressed by the discovery, the woman wrote to the Ministry of Health for information, and has been informed that she is not entitled to a pension.

The heroic riesha coolie, who went to the aid of his master, the chief of the Chinese staff of the Shanghai Trumway Co., who was murdered last week, died on Saturday afternoon as a result of the two bullets which struck him.

News has been received in the Colony to the effect that it is highly probable that Leo Podolsky and his wife, Vera Mirova, are hoping to arrange another tour of the Far East. These two talented artistes are not, of course, strangers to Hong Kong, having given several performances here some years ago. Mr. Podolsky is at present in Chicago with the famous Sherman Music School. His wife recently appeared before Queen Marie of Roumania during her Majesty's visit to Chicago.

When Mr. James Dalrymple, the Glasgow tramway manager, was charged at Glasgow last month with forging and uttering a telegram, a novel objection was raised by his solicitor. He pointed out that the telegram was wholly typewritten, including the signature, and in his submission was not a forgery in the sense of the Post Office (Protection) Act, 1884. He was unable to discover a single instance of a typewritten forgery. The prosecution contended that the telegram was not genuine in any respect, and as a telegram was defined as a written or printed message, the one in question came within the latter category. The Sheriff said that it was a novel point which he would take time to consider. He accordingly adjourned the case.

"I was never anxious for money, I do not care for money," said Mr. Bernard Baron, the millionaire who has recently given away several thousands of pounds for philanthropic purposes, when he presided in London at the meeting of Carreras, Ltd. "If all great concerns paid good wages it would bring happiness to a great number of workers and to their homes and it would pay these concerns to do so." Speaking of his own firm, who employ 2,500 hands, he said that he had no happier time than when he could get among them. "They receive me like a king and they do all they can for me. Money is nothing in comparison to that. I think we have reached the stage at which we are all happy and I am one of the happiest of the lot."

### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

The Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of London left Singapore last week for Australia.

An assistant to the Official Measurer, Hong Kong, Mr. H. Nish sailed for London on Saturday on the P. & O. s.s. "Kashmir" to join his wife and family at home.

Mrs. L. H. King and family were passengers on the Home-bound "Kashmir" from Hong Kong on Saturday. She is the wife of the engineer in charge of the electrical office of the Public Works Department.

Under Miss Skinner (headmistress) and her staff, the girls of Beihios Public School are presenting a Chinese play at 3 p.m. to-morrow, the venue being the hall of Queen's College (by courtesy).

Mr. E. G. Renton, who played cricket regularly for the Kowloon Cricket Club, sailed for home by the "Kashmir." He was an analyst attached to the staff of Messrs. W. R. Loxley and was very popular with the younger fraternity in Kowloon.

Among the many passengers who joined the "Kashmir" at Hong Kong on her Homeward-bound trip were Captain C. G. Ramsey, R.N., Surgeon Lt. D. Glass, R.N., Captain D. H. James, Captain S. Omundsen, Mr. W. E. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. de Courcy, Mrs. A. R. England, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hall, Miss J. Hall, Mr. W. Hewett, C.M.G., Mr. J. W. Stoneham, Mr. C. F. Taylor and Mr. F. Wright.

Scenes of Eastern life and scenery figure in the exhibition of work by Miss H. M. Gordon which opens at Lane, Crawford's at 11 p.m. on Thursday. Lady Clementi performing the ceremony. Miss Gordon is a well known artist and recently made an extensive tour in Northern and Central India in pursuit of her art. She has also travelled in the nearer East, scenes of which figure among the many beautiful paintings on exhibit.

The Roumanian Legation emphatically denies the reports of Princess Diana.

The following deaths are announced:—Sir John Scott Keltie, the famous geographer, aged 86; Sir Thomas Colpitts Granger, the County Court Judge, aged 75.

Accompanied by Mrs. Cave, Mr. C. E. Cave of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., Ltd., Taikoktui installation, sailed for home by the P. and O. s.s. "Kashmir."

Mr. Frederick Lane, a director of the Asiatic Petroleum and other oil companies, who died on Sept. 24, aged 75, left estate in his own disposition of the gross value of £671,510.

The Earl of Ronaldshay, distinguished soldier, traveller and author, who was on Lord Curzon's staff when he was Viceroy of India, is writing the life of the famous statesman.

Mr. J. Stewart of Taikoo Dock, a former Hong Kong Interport football centre-half, sailed for home on Saturday on the P. and O. s.s. "Kashmir." He was also an active member of the Victoria Recreation Club. On the same boat was Sanitary Inspector J. Watson with his wife and family. Mr. Watson also played for the first eleven of the Hong Kong Football Club and the two of them were presented with gifts from fellow members.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Dr. Phoon Seck-wah, No. 41A, Bonham Road, and Miss Suen Lan Chan, No. 1, St. Stephen's Lane. Dr. Phoon Seck-wah graduated M.B., B.S. at Hong Kong University in 1922 with his brother Dr. Phoon Seck-foo. His elder brother, Dr. Phoon Seck-wing was given the M.D. at the congregation this month. The prospective bridegroom was House Surgeon to the University from January to June, 1922 and all three brothers won the King Edward VII scholarship.

Among the passengers who sailed from Hong Kong yesterday on the N.Y.K. "Tenyo Maru" for Shanghai, Japan and San Francisco were Mr. J. L. Maxwell, Mr. C. Garcia, Mr. C. O. Schneider.

Mr. T. King, the ardent swimmer and yachtsman, will be away from Hong Kong for some time as he has gone on a business visit to Batavia (Java), sailing on the "Kashmir" via Singapore. He is the local representative of Linotype and Machinery Ltd.

Mr. W. G. FitzGibbon is returning to the Colony from leave by the P. and O. "Mantua" which is due here on February 4. For eighteen months before going on leave Mr. FitzGibbon acted as Secretary of the P.W.D. and upon his return, will take up that position permanently.

A Reuter cable from London announces the death of Mr. Preceval Landon, barrister-at-law, special correspondent, dramatist and author. From 1899 to 1900 Mr. Landon was special correspondent to the "Times" during the South African war. In the latter year he was made private secretary to the Governor of New South Wales. As a journalist he covered the Delhi Durbar for the "Daily Mail" and was also correspondent for them in China, Japan and Siberia in 1903. In the latter year he was correspondent for the "Times" during the Lhasa expedition and for the "Daily Telegraph" during the visit of the Prince of Wales to India, 1905-1906; in Persia, India and Nepal in 1908; Russian Turkestan in 1909; in Egypt in 1910; and the Sudan in 1910, and the Delhi Durbar of 1911. During the Great War he was with the British and French lines in 1914-1915 and with the Italian lines in 1917. He attended the Peace Conference in 1919, and attended the Prince of Wales' tour in 1921-1922. He was the author of several books of travel.

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## THE CHINA MAIL.

## SPORTS SECTION

## HOLDER LOSES.

## CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING AT HOME.

## VICTORY ON POINTS.

London, Jan. 24. Johnny Cuthbert of Sheffield beat Johnny Curley of Lambeth (the holder) to-night, on points, in a 20-round contest for the featherweight boxing championship of Britain, the bout taking place at the National Sporting Club.

Curley had held the title since 1925. In the afternoon they both weighed in at 125 lbs.

Both Men Miss.

It was a poor fight in which the fewest of good blows landed.

Cuthbert relied largely on right hooks to the jaw and on body blows while Curley, who was the better stylist than his opponent, scored most of his points with straight lefts and left hooks to the jaw and body, but both contestants frequently missed.

It was an even struggle throughout with Cuthbert gaining a very narrow victory. The decision was cheered.—Reuter.

## LUCKY NUMBERS.

## HOW TO WIN IN CASH SWEEPS.

## THE "PIECES OF EIGHT."

A correspondent writes to a Paris contemporary:

A remarkable instance of a strange turf coincidence happened on Saturday last. A friend of mine happened to buy a cash sweep ticket in the 8th. Race of the First Day's Races (Jan. 8) and struck the first prize, his winning ticket number being 8, and the horse that came in first was also No. 8 (Kismet) and what makes the incident the more remarkable is that the date was also the 8th and the birth date of the lucky man also being the 8th of the 8th month in 1888!

Can any one of your readers quote an instance to beat the above?

No, we don't think so! In this collection of "pieces of eight" the writer has overlooked the fact that Kismet was also carrying 8 stone, observes the "Singapore Free Press."

## YACHT CLUB.

## LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP RACE.

The seventh championship race for ladies of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club was sailed yesterday.

There were 4 boats in the Handicap class and 8 in the combined class (for Gaels, One Design and Heyward Hays).

The course was to Channel Rocks, Cut Rock buoy, Kowloon Rock, finish at the Club line—distance 6.6 miles.

In the table below the yachts are given in order on corrected time (i.e., according to handicap):—

Handicap Class.

	Finishing Corrected
La Linda (1st)	4:27.13
Colleen (2nd)	4:34.32
Falcon (3rd)	4:15.40
Diana	4:10.35

Combined Class.

	Finishing Corrected
Bluenose (1st)	4:27.08
Boujon (2nd)	4:28.49
Zephyr (3rd)	4:31.41
Daphne	4:28.20
Thecla	4:37.31
Why Wonder?	4:32.44
Ailsa	4:30.39
Gael	4:30.54

## £500 GOLF.

## EX-EDINBURGH MAN'S VICTORY.

El Paso, Jan. 24.

Tommy Armour, of the Congressional Club, has won the \$2,500 open golf tournament.

Johnny Golden, of New Jersey, and Joe Kirkwood, of New York, tied for second place.

Armour belongs to Edinburgh, and represented Britain in the Walker Cup against America at Hoylake in 1921. He is now in America as a professional.—Reuter's American Service.

## RACE ENTRIES.

Reminder: Entries for the Hong Kong Jockey Club annual meeting close to-morrow at 5 p.m. to Messrs. Linstead & Davis, the secretaries.

## "SUNNING" PIRACY

(Continued from Page 1.)

be drinking whiskey and smoking opium.

The only other witness who had referred to No. 8 had given his evidence in such a way that no-one could possibly believe what he said. At the police court, he had picked out No. 8 after he had had the opportunity of seeing the cabin boy pick out the man before him and after he had at the first hearing seen No. 8 in the row of prisoners. At the Sessions, when asked if he could identify either of two men he had formerly stated the prisoner was amongst who came into the steerage with arms and told them to be quiet, he had stated that he could not. Later, when reminded by His Lordship of his previous statement, he was faced with a dilemma. He had previously pointed out someone he was not now sure of and he was frightened into sticking to his previous story "like many hars do," added counsel.

In conclusion, counsel stressed the need for "common design" to be proved if the Crown was to succeed.

Mr. Nihill (for the Crown) addressed His Lordship on the doctrine of common purpose, erred in aid by defending counsel. All members of the pirate band might

not have been present on the bridge when the two shots had been fired at the Chief Officer, he said. But they were surely "present" in law. The unlawful enterprise in which they were engaged was proceeding at the time.

"Ought to Have Known." Counsel quoted law journals where several persons are engaged in the pursuit of an unlawful object and one of them does an act the others ought to have known would not be improbable in the course of pursuing such unlawful acts, all of them are guilty."

These men had gone on board the "Sunning" to commit an unlawful act, continued counsel. They carried lethal weapons, loaded. One of them did an act the others ought to have known was not improbable in the course of pursuing their purpose. Was it not reasonable to suppose that the members of the band knew or ought to have known that it was not improbable that during the course of the piracy one of those loaded lethal weapons would be discharged? No jury in the world would find that such a party of pirates would be surprised at one of the members of the gang firing a shot.

His Lordship expressed the uncertainty in his mind (in the case of No. 20) as to whether a man who was unconscious could still be held to be participating in an unlawful act.

Mr. Nihill suggested that the whole thing was that No. 20, with the others, formed his unlawful intent before he was knocked out by the officers. It could surely not be suggested that if he had come to before the piracy was complete that he would have disengaged himself with it.

His Lordship still expressed doubt as to whether an unconscious man could be held to participate in a common purpose.

Mr. Nihill said that to his mind the question of the man having participated in the first place left no room for doubt. If, for instance, he had been asleep at the time the unlawful acts referred to in the charge were committed could it still be held that he was not liable?

"It is almost a medical question," said Mr. Nihill, "but I should imagine that if a man is rendered unconscious with a certain thing in his mind it sinks into the sub-conscious and is reawakened on return to consciousness. Unconsciousness only means that certain senses are paralysed for the time being. It does not imply that there has been a change in the man's mind."

The discussion continued until after 1 o'clock and His Lordship indicated that he would tell the jury that they need not come again this afternoon. The Crown would proceed with legal arguments and other counsel would be given the opportunity of replying. The jury would be recalled tomorrow morning.

*Yesterday's Evidence.* The statements made by various prisoners were read yesterday afternoon prior to the closing of the Crown case. In his statement, No. 20 prisoner stated: "We admit committing the piracy. We do not save face to the Englishmen. If we had not admitted it we should have lost face, and would not have been here. I did not take anything away, however."

In reply to questions by his Lordship and Mr. Sheldon, as to what exactly the prisoner had meant by "saving face," the interpreter replied that it meant they could have shot everyone on board if they had liked, but did not say face.

His Lordship: It literally means "if we should not have spared the English we should not have been here, we showed mercy to them and so did not lose face."

The interpreter agreed that this was what was meant.

No. 1 prisoner stated that he was a friend of the pirate leader who had asked him on board to count the money. He had seen the pirate leader shot by the Captain. When witness boarded the "Sunning" he did not know plans had been made to pirate the ship.

No. 2 prisoner made a statement to the effect that he was an officer in Chan Kiwing-ming's army, and was on the way from Amoy to Hong Kong with a letter for him at the time the ship was plundered.

He saw the pirates set fire to the ship, but had nothing to do with anything that took place. When a boat was lowered he jumped into it. He did not know the other people in the boat.

## "CHARMING CHAP."

## A POET'S VERDICT ON COOLIDGE.

## JOHN MASEFIELD'S CHAT.

Washington, Nov. 20.

An English poet and an American President met, and, according to the poet, the President is "the most charming chap." The meeting was between John Masefield, one of England's greatest contemporary poets and President Coolidge.

Mr. Masefield, who came to the United States recently for a series of readings from his works at a New York school, made a brief trip to Washington to "revise" the national capital. While here he and Mrs. Masefield, who accompanied him, called on the President. On leaving the White House he was immediately besieged by a group of White House correspondents.

"Mr. Masefield, did you find the President the cold, silent man he is supposed to be?" one of them inquired.

"No, indeed, far from it," the poet said with a smile and a soft drawl. "He was just the opposite. He chatted most cordially. I would say he is a most charming chap."

"Well, can you say what you talked about?" was the further inquiry.

"Why, yes. We tried to recall in whose home we had met in Boston about nine years ago, but could not remember exactly where."

"Who recalled that you had met, you or the President?"

"It was the President. He remembered meeting me, but I could not exactly recall the incident."

Pressed for an expression as to which of his poems he liked best, Mr. Masefield was at a loss to say. He finally, and with considerable hesitation, observed that "Reynard the Fox" was his favourite.

"You see," he said, "I like the poem I am working at best at the time."—C. S. Monitor."

## LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

## OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

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Indo-China (Pref)	do (Def.)	30 n	—
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Malacca Sugars	Mining	21 n	—
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Kailan Mining Ad.	Langkate (Combined)	40/—	—
Langkate (Combined)	do (Single)	25 n	—
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H.K. & W. Docks	Hongkong	165 n	n
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Hongkong Lands	Prince's Building	135/4 b	—
Hongkong Lands	Rural Lands	—	—
Hongkong Lands	Cotton Mills	—	—
Hongkong Lands	Ewo Cottons	83/4 s	s
Ewo Cottons	Orientals	234 s	s
Orientals	Shanghai Cottons (old)	54 n	n
Shanghai Cottons (old)	do (new)	28 n	—
Miscellaneous	Canton Ice	5 b	—
Canton Ice	Cements (comb.)	14/4 b	s
Cements (comb.)	do (old)	6 b	s
do (old)	do (new)	13/4 b	s
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do (old)	do (new)	8 b	—
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Der A. Wing	Hongkong Amusements	16 b	—
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H.K. Electrics	do (new)	93/4 b	s
do (new)	Hongkong Tramways	5 b	—
Hongkong Tramways	Lane, Crawford	215/4 b	b
Lane, Crawford	Macintosh	7 b	—
Macintosh	Nanyang Tobaccos	15 b	b
Nanyang Tobaccos	Peak Trams (old)	74 b	—
Peak Trams (old)	do (new)	9 b	—
do (new)	Sinceres	11 b	—
Sinceres	Singapore Trams	75 Cts s	s
Singapore Trams	Taxis	75 Cts s	s
Taxis	United Asbestos (Founders)	—	—
United Asbestos (Founders)	do (Ordinary)	—	—
Watsons	Watsons	12 b	—
Wm. Powells	Wm. Powells	5 n	n
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## EXCHANGE.

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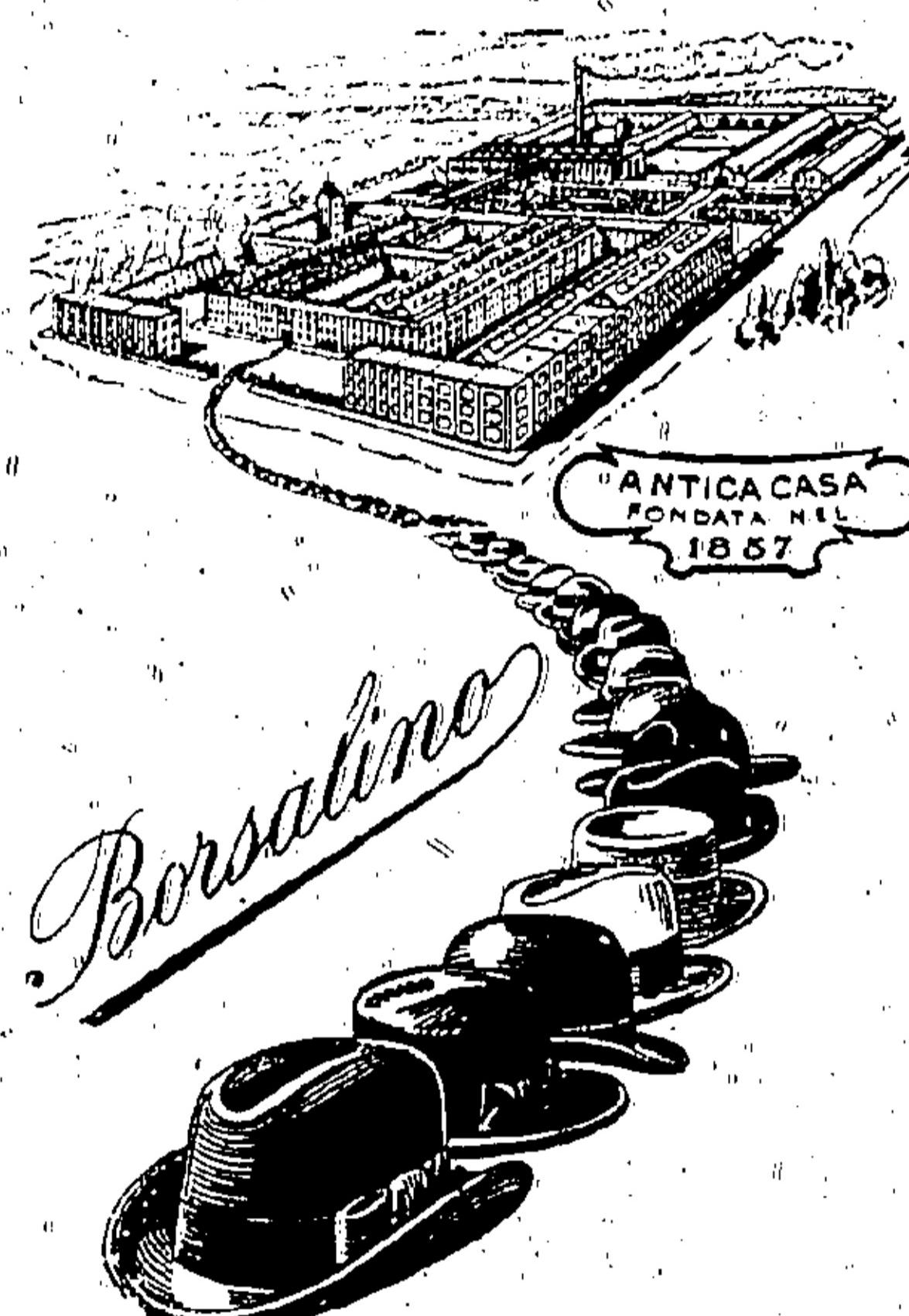
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## RADIO TOPICS

### A NEW BOON.

#### THE RELAYING OF FOREIGN PROGRAMMES.

The excellent reception of the relay from Hilversum, through British Broadcasting Company stations when a programme of dances music was specially transmitted from the big Dutch station for the benefit of British listeners, raises several interesting points. The Dutch announcer paid Britain the graceful compliment of speaking in English and between two of the items observed that it was a pleasure to be able to do something for British listeners in return for the many splendid programmes which listeners of Holland had heard from the British Broadcasting Company. Hilversum quite frequently relays Daventry, and for direct reception also, it is stated, Dutch listeners rely almost as much on Daventry as they do on their own stations.

I was informed at Savoy Hill that there are no immediate plans for future foreign relays, and there is no intention of making this a frequent feature of our programmes, says a Home paper writer. An official stated that the British Broadcasting Company preferred to maintain a high standard in their own programmes rather than to send out a great number of unsatisfactory or mediocre foreign relays. Many listeners will regret the "cut" in relays from overseas, as these re-transmissions certainly add novelty to the programmes for the innumerable owners of small sets who cannot reach out on their own account! It is true that the modern tendency is in the direction of more selective sets, but even people who can regularly tour the other of the Continent would find interest in special English programmes from foreign sources. Geneva, moreover, has advocated the use of broadcasting to promote international good will, and there is no doubt that a regular interchange of programmes with foreign countries would have a good effect in this direction.

The reception from Hilversum was so good that one might have imagined that the music was coming from the Savoy, though towards the end of the half-hour's re-transmission Morse interference became very troublesome. This unwanted weather report in dots and dashes reminded me that the Washington Radio Conference next year will probably consider a proposition to enforce the substitution of spark transmitters on ships and shore stations by continuous wave apparatus, in order to eliminate as much as possible of the existing Morse interference with broadcasting. One estimate of the total cost of effecting this change on the mercantile marine of the world is \$20,000,000, and it seems extremely improbable that any such sweeping alteration will be made for some years to come.

### BROADCASTING.

#### RAIDING RADIO PIRATES AT HOME.

The "war" against radio pirates those people who listen-in without a Post Office licence, which, as indicated recently, is about to be launched by the Post Office, will probably coincide with the change over in the New Year to the new Government regime of broadcasting, said a "Daily Telegraph" writer in mail week. Post Office officials who are organising this campaign are naturally reluctant to reveal details of the methods that will be employed. Up to the present there have been about 600 convictions of unlicensed listeners, and it is stated that each prosecution is followed by a large number of applications for licences. I asked a British Broadcasting Company official whether any idea had been formed as to the number of unlicensed listeners in the country, and he informed me that, while there was obviously no means of accurately estimating the number, he imagined it might be somewhere in the neighbourhood of half a million. The Post Office officials concerned in the new plans have plenty of information at their disposal to enable them to track down offenders.

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### LATEST ENTERPRISE..

#### A WIRELESS SERVICE TO PORTUGAL.

A direct high-speed wireless telegraph service between England and Portugal was opened in mail week and there was an exchange of complimentary messages between the Portuguese Ambassador in London and the President of Portugal, the Portuguese Foreign Minister, in Lisbon, the Portuguese Minister of Commerce and the President of the British of Trade, and also between the Association of British Chambers of Commerce, the London Chamber of Commerce and similar organisations in Portugal, Senator Marconi and Mr. Kellaway, chairman and managing director of Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Company Ltd., and Dr. Centeno (chairman of the Portuguese Marconi Company).

The new service is the first of a number of wireless telegraph services which are being established by the Portuguese Marconi Company under a forty years' concession granted by the Portuguese Government to Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Company Ltd., to undertake the organisation of a complete wireless telegraph and telephone system to place Portugal in wireless communication with her colonies and the principal capitals of Europe, South America, and other countries.

Wireless stations are being built under this concession near Lisbon, in Cape Verde Islands, Madalena, the Azores, Mozambique, and Angola. One of the group of transmitting stations to be erected at Afragola, near Lisbon, and one of the corresponding receiving stations at Vendas Novas will work at high speed with the Marconi stations at Ongar and Brentwood, near London, and with the principal capitals of Europe; another station will communicate with the Portuguese islands, and with ships at sea; and Marconi short-wave beam stations are also being built for communication with Brazil and other parts of South America, and the Portuguese colonies at Mozambique and Angola, where, of course, similar beam stations are being constructed.

### PURE MUSIC BY WIRELESS.

We are all familiar with loud speaker reproduction of wireless music, but in how many cases can it be truthfully said that it sounds as if the actual singer or orchestra were in the same room?

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Among those who signed a complaint about "oscillation" was Arthur Frank Harrison, a wireless apparatus dealer, of Cavendish Drive, Leytonstone. As a result his house was visited, and it was found that he was using a wireless set without a licence. "A bit of cheek, having a set working illegally and complaining of people interfering with it. Pay £2!" said the chairman of the Stratford Bench.

### WHERE BRITAIN EXCELS.

### RADIO CHARTER.

#### A STORM OF CRITICISM RAISED.

A storm of criticism is raging round the terms embodied in the Royal Charter for the British Broadcasting Corporation.

There were 2,000,000 odd licensed listeners in England at the end of October. Under the old scheme, of £1,000,000, the B.B.C. was allowed only £500,000.

Under the new Charter, on the first million licences, yielding £500,000, the Postmaster-General will retain £82,500 for administrative expenses, and £48,750 for revenue, handing over to the B.B.C. £398,750.

On the second million licences the Postmaster-General will still take £62,500, and in addition £27,500 for revenue, leaving £359,000 for the Broadcasting Corporation.

Thus, in place of £500,000, under the new scheme £743,750 will be available for broadcasting purposes. The Government will receive £256,250, or, after the deduction of £125,000 for expenses, a clear profit of £131,250.

### Representative Opinions.

A number of representative people have expressed their opinions. The following is a selection:

Sir Arthur Stanley: The Post Office ought not to take the surplus, but should either hand it back to the B.B.C. for development work or else reduce the cost of the licence. To raid the fund is the same as raiding the Road Fund—taking money for a purpose not originally intended. After all, the listener is the first person who should be considered.

Mr. Hore-Relisha, M.P.: There is nobody on the new board who understands the entertainment industry. It is a great pity, for broadcasting obviously must be run by people who understand the art of entertaining and not only the art of business.

Professor A. M. Low: The sparseness of money for the new B.B.C. is not going to help radio. A new science like this requires ample funds for expansion, development and research.

The money paid by the listeners should be used for the listeners' benefit.

It is much easier to tune into the bigger Continental broadcasting stations than the British stations. In the case of a national emergency we might have the Continental stations shouting us down, so that, instead of listening to Mr. Baldwin, we should be compelled to listen to Stalin or Trotzky.

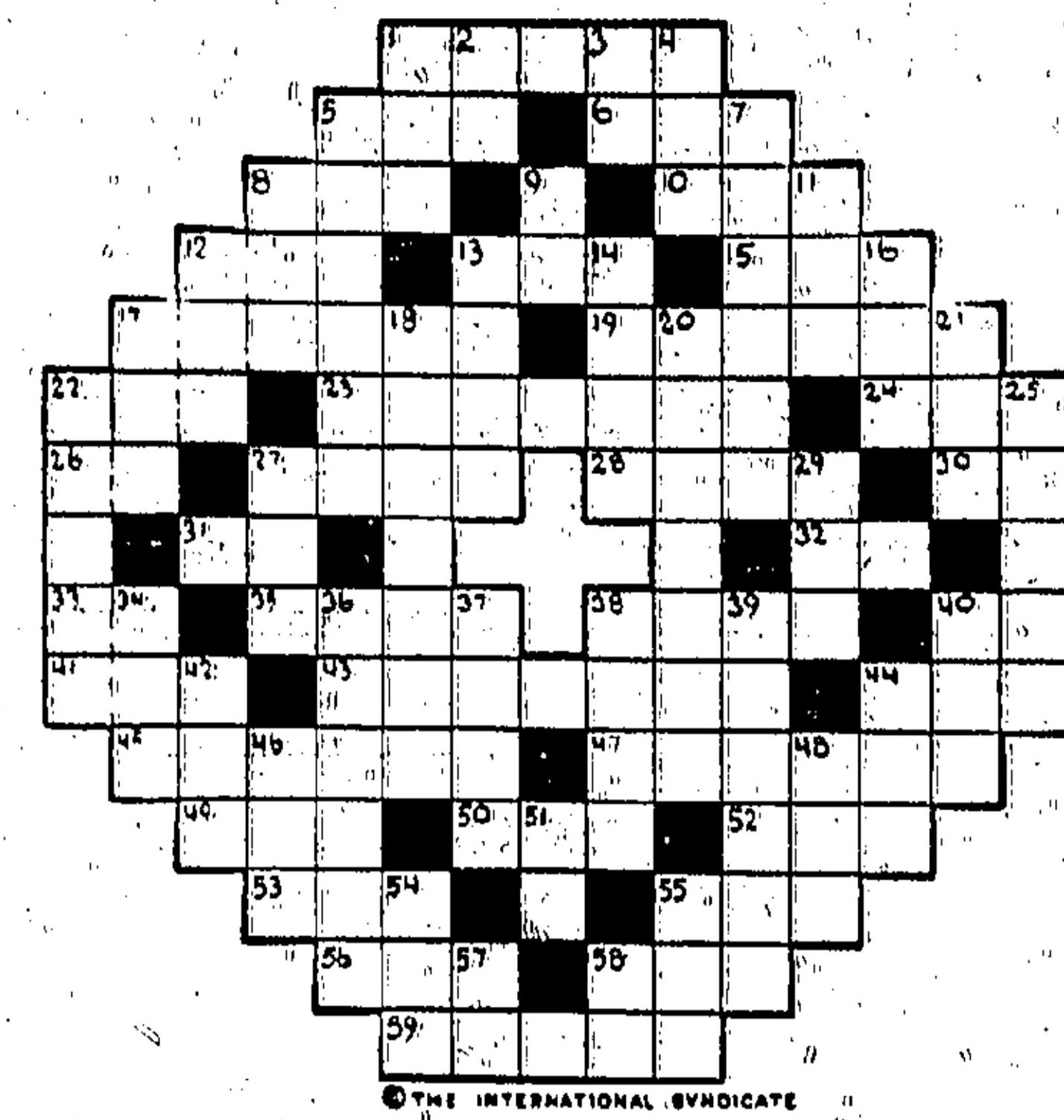
An Official of the Radio Society: There are too many mere business people engaged in the B.B.C. and too little attention is being paid to the real entertainment of the listeners. The arts ought to be fully represented so that all interests will be catered for.

There ought to be someone, too, to represent the radio manufacturers so that there could be a full measure of co-operation and co-operation between the broadcasting and reception.

Sir Oswald Stoll: The Broadcast Charter is a restriction upon broadcasting, not a natural development of it. It looks very like a political move to undermine the freedom of the press by unfair competition with the newspapers!

### DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert, but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and ultor.)



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#### HORIZONTAL.

1-Sky-vapor

5-Low murmur

6-Title of address

10-Seat in church

12-Existed

13-Projection at the side of a fireplace

17-Remote

18-In some degree

19-A child's school book

22-Easy-going

23-Device for making an ascent (pl.)

24-Haul

26-Article

27-Celebration

28-Obligation

30-Act

31-Prefix meaning "two"

32-Prefix meaning "out"

33-Concerning

35-Slender

38-Evergreen tree (pl.)

40-Conjunction

47-Despair

50-A medicinal plant

#### HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

44-Deep bark, as of dogs

45-The esophagus

47-The drink of the gods

48-A mautus mark

49-Platina

52-Box for packing

53-Wooden plan-

54-Policeman (slang)

55-A small carpet

56-Member of ancient Tartar race

58-Back teeth

VERTICAL

1-Peruse

14-Rearred

18-Bill

17-A woodland sprite

"Myth."

18-Openwork of crossed bars

20-Learned

21-Sixteen and one-half feet

22-Tall

25-Fret

27-Conversation

29-Affirmative

34-Mist

36-Rope for holding a horse

37-Brief letter

38-Discover

39-Calculate

40-Used in rowing

42-Unopened flower

44-Flying mammal

46-To cut off

48-To tilt

51-Negative

54-A chewing preparation

55-Mongrel

57-Proceed

Stevenson character

58-Explanation

#### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.

Strasbourg is to have a powerful broadcasting station as the result of the action of a group of Alsatian patriots interested in replying to the Germans who have just strengthened their propaganda station at Freiburg-im-Breisgau.

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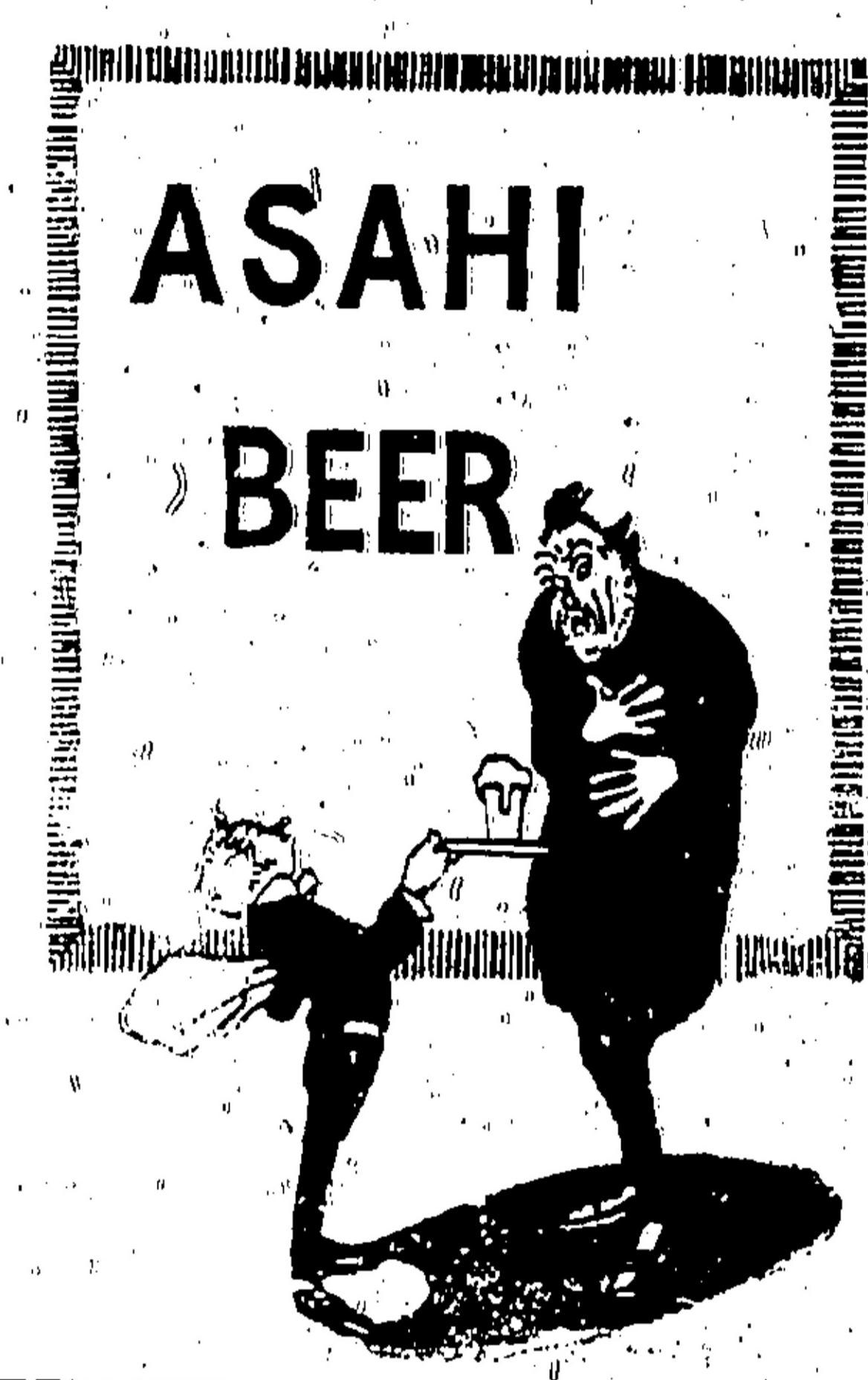
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**ASAHI****BEER****THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.**

At Sacristan, co. Durham, a mechanic was injured in the wreck of an aeroplane on a pithead.

Mr. H. T. Evans, aged 46, a school teacher, of Newport, Monmouthshire, dropped dead in Bolt Street school, Newport, during the singing of a hymn.

Mr. Charles Wright, aged more than 70, of Willingham House, Market Basen, a Lincolnshire and Yorkshire landowner, was found shot dead at his residence.

Speaking of the Y.M.C.A. plans in connection with emigration, Sir Henry McMahon stated that Osborne Naval College, Isle of Wight, had been acquired for training work.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, has appointed Mr. Robert Boothby, one of the four Conservative M.P.s who visited Russia early in the year, his Parliamentary private secretary.

While motoring to the Ballycullane fair, Mr. H. R. Corbett, manager of the New Ross (Co. Wexford) branch of the Munster and Leinster Bank, was held up by masked and armed bandits, and robbed of £1,000.

In his presidential address at the York Diocesan Conference the Archbishop of York said that, although the Church had been slipping its hold upon Christianity, there were signs of a turning of the tide. He believed the post-war depression of religion was passing, and that a time of awakening was coming.

Outstanding ceremonies of a Toc H birthday festival at Manchester, in which the Prince of Wales took part, were a thanksgiving service in the cathedral and the lighting of a "Lamp of Maintenance" at Toc H Mark IV. A congregation of 2,500 persons from all parts of the world attended the service in the cathedral, and there were nearly 5,000 at a subsequent gathering in the Free Trade Hall, where the Prince made an informal speech.

L. L. Hermitte's picture of "The Gleaners" was sold at Messrs. Christie's for £1,522 10s.

The full London Company of the D'Oly Carte Opera sailed from Liverpool on Christmas Eve for a five months' tour of Canada.

France's wine crop is expected this year to be 30 per cent. below the normal, according to the figures supplied to the Government by the wine growers.

Dr. R. M. Bronte, pathologist, while on his way to an inquest which was a passenger in an omnibus which collided with a motor lorry in Hackney, E., and he rendered first aid to injured passengers.

Owing to the loss of his default sheet, Mr. William Underwood, of Salisbury Road, Enfield Lock, Middlesex, and late of the Royal Garrison Artillery, has had to wait 24 years for his Army long service and good conduct medal.

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Dr. Eyre Chatterton, formerly Bishop of Nagpur, has been appointed Assistant Bishop for the Diocese of Canterbury.

Lord Astor is giving £10,000 to build a hostel to accommodate 40 students under the South-West of England University scheme.

At a meeting of the York Minister Windows Preservation Fund it was stated that since the work of renovating the glass was begun 20 years ago not a single piece of glass has been dropped or broken.

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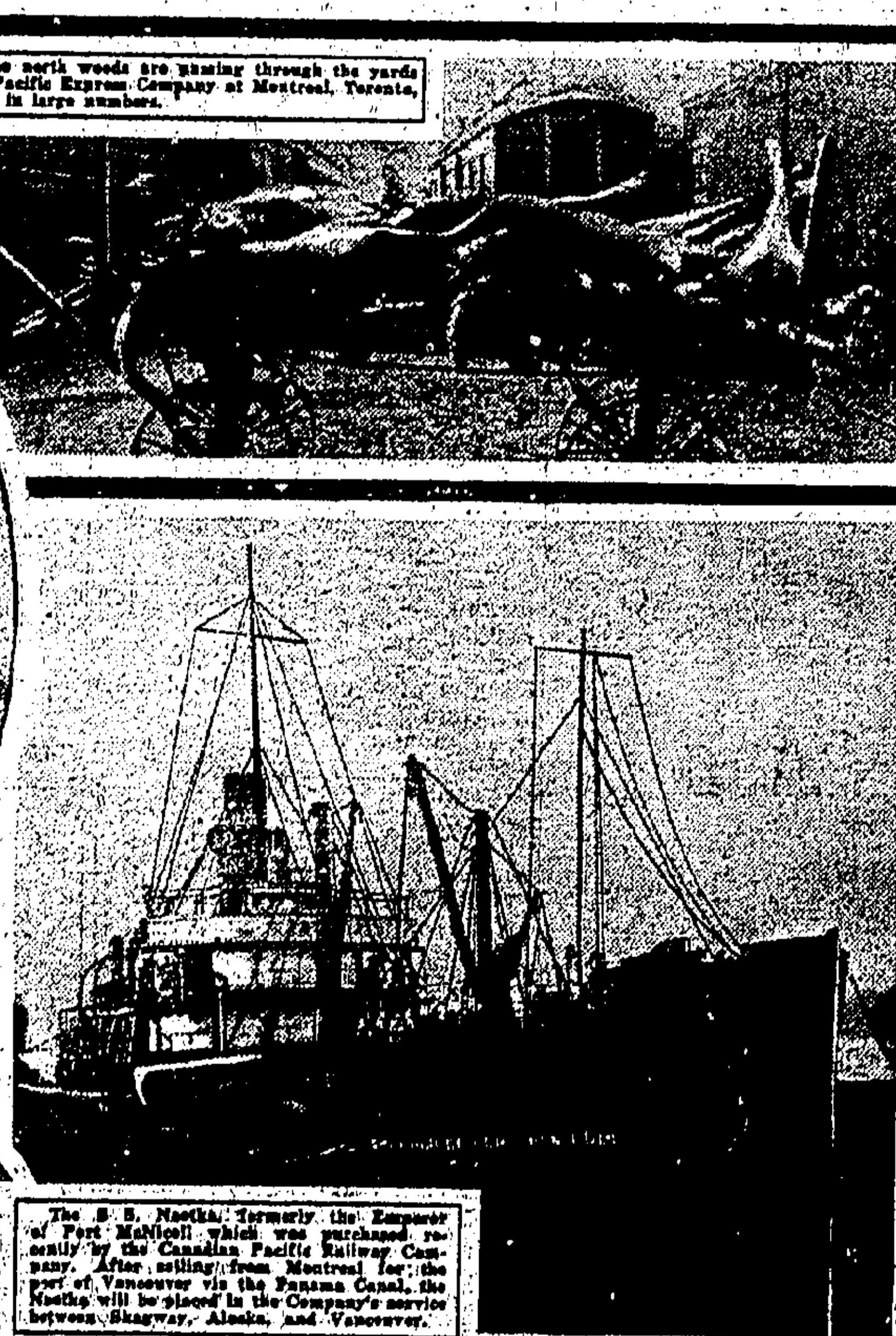
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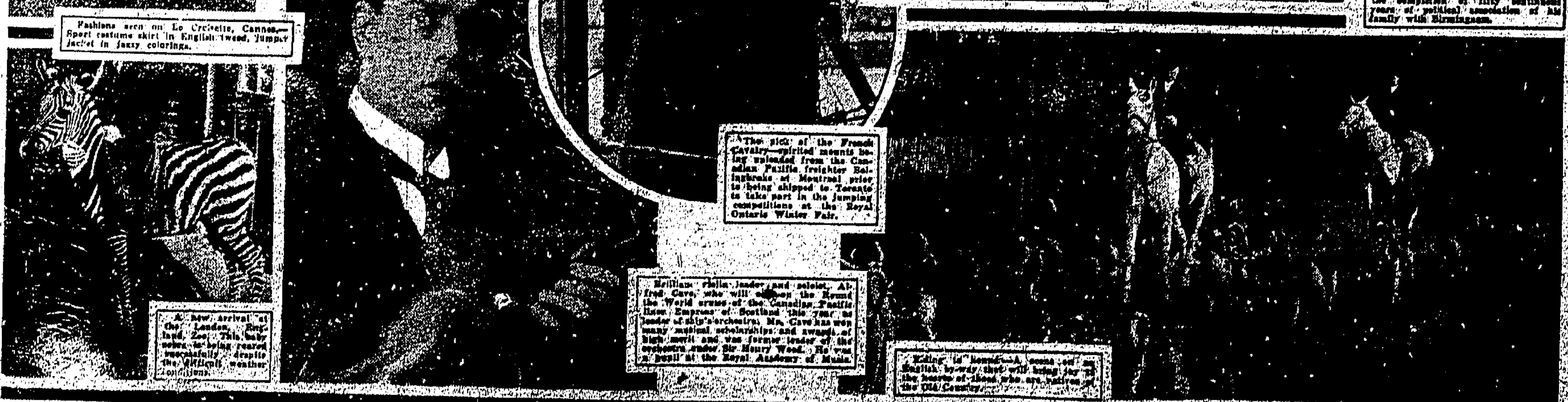
His Majesty King George V placing a wreath at the feet of the Cenotaph in London on Armistice Day.



The S.S. *Empress of Port McNeill*, formerly the *Empress of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company*, was purchased recently by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, Montreal, after sailing from Vancouver via the Panama Canal. The *McNeill* will be placed in the Company's service between Shanghai, Alaska, and Vancouver.



His Austin Chamberlain British Foreign Secretary, who recently received the congratulations of his electors in Birmingham, on the occasion of the completion of fifty years of political association of his family with Birmingham.



Alfred Cave, leader and violinist, Al Fred Cave, who will perform the Round Dance at the Royal Ontario Winter Fair, December 20, 1926. Leader of the orchestra, Mr. Cave has won many musical scholarships and awards at contests, and has performed at the Royal Ontario Winter Fair.

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#### INWARD MAIRS.

From	TUESDAY, JANUARY	25.	Per.
Straits			Kitano Maru.
Japan	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY	26.	Arafura.
Straits			Talma.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia			Pres. Jackson.

FRIDAY, JANUARY	28.	
Japan		Fushimi Maru.
Manila		President Pierce.

SATURDAY, JANUARY	29.	
Europe via Negapatam (letters only)	London	Hakata Maru.
30th Dec., 1926.		

SUNDAY, JANUARY	30.	
Europe via Negapatam (papers only)	London	Seang Bee.
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY	1.	
Japan & Shanghai		Dartagnan.

#### OUTWARD MAIRS.

TUESDAY, JANUARY	25.	
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Saigon	Prosper	8.30 p.m.
Manila	Cyclops	10.30 a.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America, & "EUROPE" via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria B.C.		
13th Feb. & "EUROPE" via Siberia (Letters & Postcards, specially supercribed "via Siberia" only.)		
Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.		

Amoy	Empress of Canada	
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY	26.	
Hollow & Haiphong	Shantung	5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan & Europe via Siberia (letters and postcards specially supercribed "via Siberia" only)	Tean	10.30 a.m.

Shanghai & Wei Hai Wei	Kitano Maru	2.30 p.m.
Swatow Amoy & Tattao	Newchwang	5 p.m.
THURSDAY, JANUARY	Kotou Maru	5 p.m.

Bangkok	Chakang	10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Szechuan	10.30 a.m.
Java via Sourabala	Tjarendjol	11.30 a.m.
Manila	President Jackson	3.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY	28.	
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hainan	1 p.m.

Manila, Sandoval, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island 12th		
Island—due Thursday Island 12th		
Feb. Parcels noon. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	Arafura.	5 p.m.

Straits, Caylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt, & EUROPE via MARSEILLES	Chaman	
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Shanghai	Fushimi Maru.	
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Straits & Calcutta	Letter 10 a.m.	Kumlung.
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Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.		
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### TRADE BOOM.

#### REVIVAL OF THE COTTON INDUSTRY.

#### EXPORTS TO THE EAST.

Rugby, Jan. 24. Trade papers report distinct signs of revival in the Lancashire cotton spinning and manufacturing industry.

Reports from large manufacturing centres, such as Blackburn and Preston, show that idle looms are being restarted.

Shippers and merchants engaged in the export trade to the East, to the Continent and to the British Dominions are dealing with an extensive demand.

It is stated that some merchants during the past fortnight have bought thousands of pounds worth more of piece goods than in any similar period during the past six years.—British Wireless Service.

### NEW MOTOR WAR.

#### AMERICA AND BRITISH MARKET.

London, Jan. 4. The "Westminster Gazette" in a special article maintains that the American automobile companies are silently reorganising for the consolidation of their hold on the British markets.

It will soon be possible to buy in Great Britain and the Empire a half-dozen types of American light cars at prices which undoubtedly will make a powerful appeal to the public. This will be done in several ways: (1) By a merger of the firms of American car manufacturers which, if it materialises, will outrival in size the great General Motors Corporation; (2) by the adoption of one profit on the unit built car principle; (3) by the simplification of design.

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### BIG WINDFALLS.

#### £104,000, GIFT FOR HOME HOSPITAL.

London, Jan. 8. A number of generous gifts to hospitals and public institutions have been announced.

The motor manufacturer, Mr. Morris, has donated £104,000 to St. Thomas's Hospital.

Sir Gilbert Wills has donated £50,000 to Guy's Hospital.

Lord Buckland has gifted £5,000 annually for seven years towards the building fund of the National Museum of Wales, which is being erected at Cardiff.

The late Mr. David Gibson has left £25,000 for research buildings at Dundee University.

### MANILA CINEMA.

#### THE FINEST IN THE EAST CLAIM.

Manila, Jan. 14.

An outdoor cinema with a seating capacity of 5,000 opened here in January. It is the largest and possibly the finest in the Far East.

There are first, second, and third class seats, prices being accordingly. The screen is 20 by 25 feet and constructed in such a way that there is no "blitz" to the pictures from any angle viewed.

Later in the year when the days are longer the screen will be hooded to ward off the glare of late sunsets, or brilliant here.

### TRADE FACTS.

#### HOME INDUSTRY CENSUS COMPLETED.

Rugby, Jan. 24.

Britain's industrial census begun in February of 1925 is practically completed and the Board of Trade expects to be able to publish the first results in a few days. The census relates to the year 1924. It will enable the public to see what percentage of "net output value" goes to labour and how much to the employer.

Net output value is an economic term invented by the Board of Trade, and is the gross or selling value at the factory door of the manufacturer's production, less the cost of materials. In other words it is the value added by capital and labour.

The inquiry will show the relative importance of home and foreign markets and whether an industry is advancing or going back.—British Wireless Service.

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